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## UNITED WE STAND.

L. MUSHETT, in his issue today of "What's What" in the Bonanza, hits the nail right where it should be struck in order to have it penetrate the wood. The whole country is behind President Wilson, for he is OUR president now, no matter whom we voted for. He was the choice of a majority of the people and in many minds there is wisdom and safety. The Bonanza is back of the administration, but when it feels that there is a necessity for speeding up or for the exercise of better judgment, it will not hesitate to say so, and say it as pointedly as our command of English will permit. But, as Mushett says, "this is everybody's war, and everybody is with you, Mr. President."

## FILL OUT YOUR BLANK CORRECTLY.

IN MAKING your returns on income to the government—and the Lord pity those who do not make returns or who minimize their indebtedness to their country—be sure to include your winnings and losses at what are known as gambling investments. They are subject to taxation just as are the proceeds from your toil. "Investments" of this sort are taxable, gentlemen. Bear this in mind and the fine or other punishment will not be handed to you. Recollect that in this instance the defendant has no defense. The spirit of patriotism should prompt all to make proper returns as they are called upon to do. Lots of people will get in bad over their certification to income. Don't, for your sake and for the country's sake, be among the number.

## AND THE GREATEST OF THESE IS MERCY.

THE glory of war is in sounding of trumpets, waving of flags and touching the torch to the villainous salt-peter. Going over the top is the ambition of all soldiers and it is the motto of all the blue-jackets to not desert the ship.

But there is something nobler than all this and it is accomplished at home, far from the hue and cry and fume of battle. It is in the room where the women of the land foregather and ply the needle. They come not to bring a sword but a sigh, to minister to the wounded instead of inflicting the thrust. Christ may have had justification in his assertion relative to his mission on earth, but the women of the National Surgical Dressings committee have more than a justification. They have a "title clear." Theirs is not a mission to destroy, but to upbuild, to alleviate distress, to relieve suffering. Theirs is a cause that should and must be supported. The boys "over there" are being ministered to by this branch of the Red Cross.

## IS GERMANY RIPE FOR REVOLT?

SO MANY stories of unrest in Germany have come to us through neutral channels that it is reasonable to believe that there cannot be so much smoke without some fire. Germany has not been able to draw food from Russia and the Bolshevik government has blocked plans to import it from Ukraine by capturing Kiev, the capital of the new republic. The situation is critical, but we do not know the truth.

Reports that a million work people are on strike in Berlin are obviously false. The city does not contain that number of industrial employees. This story has been modified in later reports, but it discredits all the other tales and leaves the outside world in the dark. It is a suspicious circumstance that such stories get past the German censors. They may be circulated for the purpose of slowing up American preparations for war. It would serve Germany's purpose if we waited for a revolution in that country to end the war. If military pressure from the outside is relieved a revolution will never take place.

The German people have endured so many privations and are so thoroughly disciplined by their military masters, that they are less likely to rebel now than in the earlier stages of the war, says the Commercial. They are more likely to commit suicide at home than to court death at the cannon's mouth in the streets. The chance of a revolution lies in the army itself and the general staff evidently fears that the Russian revolution will weaken the loyalty of the soldiers on the eastern front. Every German soldier remembers that the submarines were to end the war in a few months. The first year of ruthless submarine warfare has expired and England still has food. Instead of winning the war, this campaign of frightfulness brought America into the conflict and counterbalanced the effects of Russia's breakdown. Soldiers whose courage has been buoyed up by false hopes are prone to turn on those who deceived them. If part of the army refused to obey orders a revolution might sweep the land, but the people cannot rise against this army. The Russian revolution was in the army. The kaiser does not fear the people while the army remains loyal to him. If there is a German revolution the first news of it will be the shooting of officers by their men. Until that happens rioting in cities will amount to nothing. When the Cossacks refused to fire on the mob in Petrograd it was all over with the czar. When German soldiers do likewise the kaiser will know what is coming.

## THE PRICE FOR COPPER.

ON TUESDAY, January 22, the war industries board announced, with the sanction of the president, that the agreement with the copper producers entered into on September 21 and expiring on January 21 would be continued until June 1, 1918, all provisions, including price 23 1-2c, remaining unaltered, says the Engineering and Mining Journal. The copper producers had previously made strong representations in favor of an increased cost of production, estimated to have risen from 1c to 3c per pound since September last. Evidently the war industries board listened

politely to the representations, and made up its mind that no increase of price was justified.

The mines of the United States in 1917 produced about 1,888,000,000 pounds of copper. This was a little less than in 1916, but in order to examine the records intelligently we must turn to statistics of monthly or quarterly production. Fortunately such statistics are available from our own monthly reports, corrected in minor details so as to agree with the year's total.

In the first quarter of 1917 the production of American mines attained the unparalleled total of 545,600,000 pounds, a production of 190,200,000 pounds (high water mark) being recorded in March. The production in the second quarter was about 543,000,000 pounds. This quarter would have broken all previous records without any doubt had it not been for the curtailment owing to the strikes, which showed in the June production. In the third quarter many of the most important mines were severely crippled by the strikes, and the production was only about 354,000,000 pounds, the monthly production in July, August and September being in the neighborhood of 118,000,000 pounds in each case. The fourth quarter showed a production of about 446,000,000 pounds. The strikes having been mainly settled by the end of September, the October production jumped to about 146,000,000 pounds, and in December there was an output of about 158,000,000 pounds.

These figures show how copper mining in the United States has been hurt. The smaller producers, especially those who ship to custom smelters, are being crowded out. With respect to the matter of total supply, however, we must defer consideration until we have fuller figures for the importation of raw material from foreign countries.

## CABALLERO THREATENS TO INVADE DISTRICT

(By Associated Press.)

LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 14.—Efforts of General Luis Caballero to induce General Manuel Pelaez, whose forces control the Tampico oil regions, to submit to the federal government have met with emphatic refusal, according to private advices received here from the affected district. Caballero is said to have failed in his attempt to persuade the oil producers to buy off Pelaez. If the government persists in its attempt to carry out the announced program of securing complete control of the oil fields, Caballero's threat to invade the region may become his only recourse. Caballero is reported to be receiving a few men and considerable supplies by sea from Vera Cruz and other gulf ports.

## SUPERVISION OF STEAMSHIPS.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Secretary McAdoo has placed the coastwise steamships operated by the railroads under the supervision of W. H. Pleasant, New York manager of the marine section of the railroad administration.

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## WHAT'S WHAT

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Mr. Woodrow Wilson, Our President, Washington, D. C.

Just a line to let you know that all is well in dear old Tonopah, and the ladies of the Red Cross and N. S. D. are working like a bunch of Honey Bees, doing every bit of their best to buck up our brave and loyal Sammies who have gone and are ready to go to Somewhere in France to back you and us and the rest of the liberty-loving world with their brains and brawn and their lives, if need be, in this supreme effort to make the whole world safe for future generations.

Mr. President, the most of us believe that you and your faithful staff have accomplished wonders in so quickly training, fitting out and transporting such a splendid army to the battle front, and regardless of the adverse criticism of an insignificant class of feather-brained nonentities, we believe in you to the hilt and we know that all hell will not keep our khaki-clad heroes from fighting their way into Berlin. In the past there has been some little pro-German talk and, maybe, some cases where the parties have gotten away with it; but, believe me, Woodrow, the time is past for such talk.

I wish you would run in and tell Mr. McAdoo that he can break Nye county any time he needs the silver and we'll all start out like a bunch of optimists to make a new stake; also, remember us to General Pershing, and say that we are proud of the class he is showing.

Some of us are Republicans, but this is everybody's war and everybody is with you. This fills all the space I own in the Bonanza. So long, Old Boy, and Good Luck. The bunch joins with best wishes.

Sincerely yours,  
L. L. MUSHETT.

## NO DEARTH OF CLOTHING.

(By Associated Press.)

BRADFORD, England, Feb. 14.—A wide range of patterns of standard cloth have been produced and arrangements have been made for the manufacture of one million yards by the end of June. This will enable men's standard suits to be retailed at 57 shillings, six-pence, it is declared.

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(By Associated Press.)

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## DIVIDEND NOTICE.

To the Stockholders, West End Consolidated Mining Co.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the above corporation, held at the office of said corporation, Syndicate building, Oakland, Alameda county, California, on the 31st day of January, 1918, a dividend of ten cents per share upon the issued capital stock of the corporation was declared from the net earnings of the corporation. Said dividend will be paid on the first day of March, 1918, to all stockholders of record on the books of the corporation at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 16th day of February, 1918, and will re-open for transfer on the 1st day of March, 1918, at the hour of 9 o'clock a. m. WEST END CONSOLIDATED MINING COMPANY.

George C. Ellis, Secretary. F410

## STILL ATTENDING SHOWS.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Feb. 14.—The Comedie Francaise, the most serious theater in the French capital, took in gross receipts of \$290,000 in 1916 and \$388,000 in 1917.

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